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Inventor(s): Douglas Croeni

Confirmation No: 7399

Application No: 09/916,043

Examiner: Cesar B. Paula

Filing Date: July 25, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2178

SUBJECT: PAGE LAYOUT DESIGN USING GEOMETRIC INTERFERENCE SCHEMA

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Sir:

AMENDMENT A

In response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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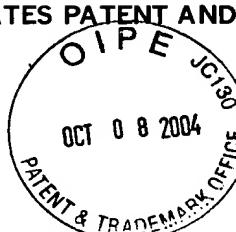
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee
() Other: _____ (fee \$_____)

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | | | | | |
|--|--|------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| (1) FOR | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEES |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | | MINUS | | = 0 | X \$18 | \$ 0 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | | MINUS | | = 0 | X \$88 | \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + \$300 | \$ 0 |
| EXTENSION FEE | 1ST MONTH \$110.00 | 2ND MONTH \$430.00 | 3RD MONTH \$980.00 | 4TH MONTH \$1530.00 | | \$ 0 |
| OTHER FEES | | | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$ 0 |

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Respectfully submitted,

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